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Fake Agent Goes To Jail

Ernest G. Birchfield, 37, 2411 NE 84th Ave., was sentenced to 30 months in prison Friday by U.S. Dist. Judge William G. East for impersonating a Central Intelligence Agency agent in the Washington, D.C. area.

His wife, Jacqueline, 29, was placed on two years probation on a conviction for conspiracy to get money by false pretenses.

Birchfield was charged with impersonating a CIA agent in making credit applications in the Washington area in 1963.

The couple were indicted by a federal grand jury in Washington, D.C.

Before sentencing the man, Judge East said, "Out of all the crimes he could be charged with. . . I'm sort of amazed he's charged with the one he is."

The judge placed Mrs. Birchfield on probation, noting she had three children and that her parents live in the Portland area.